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Joe wants to pull the plug on Dems

Wilson: Health care bill 'irresponsible'

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Congressman Joe Wilson held news conferences at both ends of his district to blast the government health care takeover.

Starting his tour in Beaufort on Saturday, the Lexington County Republican used his press conferences to encourage citizens to continue to make their "voices heard during this critical week."

On Monday, the Washington Post reported, "In six days time, President Obama's health care bill will almost certainly have either passed or failed."

At a news conference Monday in Lexington, Wilson said, "Concerned citizens across the country have made it perfectly clear that they do not want a government takeover of health care."

Referring to the current economic environment, he said, "It is highly irresponsible to consider a bill full of job-killing taxes and mandates; as the countdown to a vote begins, it is critical that we continue to spread that message."

"The latest health care package that the Washington liberal majority will try to pass this week

mandates private individuals to purchase health care and causes millions of employers to cancel the health care they offer their employees."

"No matter how President Obama and Speaker Pelosi try to repackage it, this is a government takeover," said the congressman.

Another Palmetto State Democrat Congressman, Jim Clyburn, was saying he is "very confident that we will get this done." Clyburn, the House Majority Whip, admitted that as of Monday, they did not have the votes to pass the Senate plan.